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DESCRIPTION

METHOD FOR THE MEASUREMENT OF SOLUBLE CD14 PROTEINS SEPARATELY

This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP00/06359 which has an International filing date of September 18, 2000, which designated the United States of America.

TECHNICAL FIELD

The present invention relates to a method for the fractional assay of a low molecular weight soluble CD14 protein. More particularly, the present invention relates to a method for the assay of low molecular weight soluble CD14 proteins separately by measuring the total amount of soluble CD14 proteins in the body fluid and subtracting therefrom the amount of a high molecular weight soluble CD14 protein measured by a measuring system specific to the high molecular weight soluble CD14 protein. The present invention also relates to a method for diagnose the sepsis using the above-described measuring method. Also, the present invention relates to an antibody that has a specific bindability to the C-terminus of a high molecular weight soluble CD14 protein, to a cell producing the same